

Seaside Ranchos

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The flowers that bloom in the Spring . . . were certainly in evidence in the week when members of Las Vecinas attended the annual April dance at the Hollywood Riviera Beach Club. Called the April Showers Ball, the results were what might be expected (you know . . . "bring forth May flowers"). The decorations were very glamorous and very effective. White crepe paper simulated rain hung in streamers from the ceiling. Huge branches from eucalyptus trees were painted white and potted around the room. These freaks of nature were resplendent with balloon blossoms in gay colors. More blooming flowers were mural on the walls in giant sizes.

One of the best pre-dance affairs that took place Saturday night was the cocktail party and buffet supper given by Bill and Helen Schmitz at their home on Carol Drive. It was such fun that no one wanted to leave, but it finally did break up to resume later at the dance. Those attending included Ev and Betty Rowan (she wore a full-skirted black taffeta gown with a spray of sequin flowers decorating the shoulder), Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pierce, Mary Conover and her brother, Bob Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ziegler, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hanover (Ruth wore a black and pink plaid cotton job with yards and yards of skirt, and a dropped neckline), Mr. and Mrs. George Annis, Mr. and Mrs. Banner Rice, the Derby Rosenbergs, and Peggy and Don Hall.

Also seen at the dance . . . Lois and Harry Greenwood doing a mean samba . . . Tom McNarys chatting with the Harvey Spelmans and the Quint Johnsons . . . Bette Shott in a glamorous floor length Hawaiian print dancing with hubby, Austin . . . The Ed Jeffreys with friends . . .

Rumor has it . . . that Paul Barth attended the Patrons' Society's cocktail party where Frankie finished her yard work and put on her glamor. When finally appearing at the dance Frankie wore a black taffeta ballerina length gown trimmed in white eyelet.

New residents in Seaside Ranchos are Mr. and Mrs. Markie Sparks who have purchased the Locke home on Doris Way. Mr. and Mrs. Sparks have two sons, Sidney, 4, and Steven, 2. The Sparks are from Burbank and Mr. Sparks is a reserve captain with Western Air Lines.

The Paul Roettgers attended the Westinghouse Cotton Ball last week at the Lakewood Country Club and returned home in the wee hours with a couple of door prizes—an electric coffee maker and a waffle iron.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Teach and Mr. and Mrs. James Hall were among those who attended the wedding recently of Beatrice Suzanne Heidrick of Inglewood to Mervyn P. Burns of Sharynne Lane. The ceremony took place at the Vermont Avenue Presbyterian Church.

The Block Captains' meeting recently was held at the home of the Ed Jeffreys on Doris Way. After Paul Murray was appointed Civic Chairman, Frankie (Mrs. Paul) Barth let forth her little bombshell—a bang-up carnival to raise the money for light standards. The air is humming with ideas which include private parties (for fee, of course), a kidnap breakfast on a Sunday morning which will include the men, a men's baking contest, and many other suggestions. This thing is just beginning to percolate and help is needed. If you have any suggestions or would like to give a party call Mrs. William Schmitz, Frontier 22608, for all the arrangements. Tentative plans call for a big final fling in true carnival spirit in "our park" on July Fourth with fire crackers, a baseball game, and the works. So let's get buzzin' and make this thing BIG.

Already several parties have taken place including two Saturday night. Paul and Frankie Barth, as host and hostess, bowed to Mr. and Mrs. Warren Boggs, the Harry Greenwoods, Bette and Austin Shott, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Monson, and the Derby Rosenbergs. Ev and Betty Rowan greeted the Don Halls, Dr. and Mrs. O. Eugene Hurst, Frank and Ruth Hanover, Mrs. Betty, Dr. and Mrs. Harvey Cole, Bill and Helen Schmitz, the Robert Meases, and the Jack Pomeroys.

Funds raised so far are rather all when you consider the total (\$1980) but we've just started. Wait and see what we can do in a couple of weeks. I'll keep you posted.

The first really big program is the Square Dance tomorrow night at Atteberry's (also regular dancing). The price is 50 cents

and this includes a chance on the door prize a portable radio. So plan on bringing the whole family and join in the Swing.

The last PTA meeting of the year will be held tonight at 7:30 in the Waleria school building. The regular business meeting will be followed by the installation of new officers. The Mathersingers will entertain with several new songs. Mrs. C. H. Turner, past State president of California Congress of Parents and Teachers, is to be the installing officer. Mrs. Turner was the organizing officer of the first Waleria PTA in 1925. The kindergarten mothers will be hostesses. Officers to be installed are: Mrs. Robert Ziske, president; Mrs. Paul Roettger, first vice-president; D. Boone Kirk, second vice-president; Mrs. Ray Johnston, financial secretary; Mrs. Arthur Hackney, recording secretary; Mrs. Ewan Jansson, treasurer; Mrs. Byron Johnson, historian; and Mrs. Carl Larikins, auditor.

Orchids to Margaret (Mrs. Ed) Jeffrey for the lovely tea she gave on Saturday to honor Mrs. Willard S. Wanke, Jr., who has just become a resident of Seaside Ranchos. Mrs. Wanke and Mrs. Jeffrey were former friends when both lived in Carmel. Invited guests included a large number of friends and neighbors from both Seaside Ranchos and Hollywood Riviera. Those pouring were Mrs. Carl H. Carlson, Mrs. Charles S. Robinson, Mrs. Arthur Hackney, Mrs. Rowand, Mrs. Paul Barth, and Mrs. Paul Roettger.

Mrs. Dorsey Gruver entertained Friday night with a party for Band Mothers at her home on Doris Way. Games of many kind were played and the party was in the form of a benefit to raise money for the High School band uniforms. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Arndt, Mr. and Mrs. John Dallons, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Bessmer, Mr. and Mrs. John Winen, Mrs. Helen Feloner, Mrs. Bryon Johnson, and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Schooley.

The YMCA Mother and Son Breakfast was held on Mother's Day at the Torrance Civic Auditorium. The fathers did the serving and washed dishes. Those attending from Seaside Ranchos included: Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Schooley and son, Tommy; Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey Gruver and son, Jimmy; Mr. and Mrs. Byron Johnson and sons, Charles and Byron, Jr.

Winnie Mewborn gave a birthday party Friday night in honor of hubby, Bud. Viewing the baseball game on the Mewborn television set was part of the fun and charades were played later. Cake (no one told me how many candles were on the cake) and coffee were served, and contributions were collected for the street light fund. Those enjoying with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tabling, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Burton, Mr. and Mrs. Drumright, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Roettger, Mr. and Mrs. John Whyte, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Barth.

Last weekend Mr. and Mrs. Byron Johnson of Doris Way entertained Dorothy's cousin and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Morse and their son, Ralph of Phoenix, Arizona. Later in the week Byron Johnson returned home with the Morses to visit his brother, Hyde Johnson. Byron returned to Seaside Ranchos on Saturday.

It was fun to munch a lunch at Dorothy's (Mrs. Arnold) Stolman's last week when she gave a diminishing luncheon before the regular meeting of Las Vecinas. The menu included baked ham, potato salad, peas, rolls, coffee, and a yummy chiffon jello dessert. Others enjoying the lunch were Mrs. Paul Murray, Mrs. Joel Stanley, and Mrs. Thomas McNary.

Jim and Chris Hall celebrated their fifth anniversary last week with cocktails and dinner at Welch's in Long Beach.

Those from Seaside who attended the regular monthly meeting of Las Vecinas last Thursday included Mrs. Frank Hanover, Chris (Mrs. James) Hall, Mrs. Byron Johnson, Mrs. Derby Rosenbergs, Betty (Mrs. Everett) Rowan, Mrs. Thomas McNary, Mrs. Arnold Stohman, Mrs. Quinton Johnson, Bette (Mrs. Austin) Shott, Mr. O. Eugene Hurst, Helen (Mrs. William) Schmitz, and Mrs. George Honzik.

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